Transportation of Petroleum products by Railways

880. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the average quantity of petroleum products viz., (i) Petrol; (ii) diesel oil; (iii) Kerosene oil, (iv) crude oil and (v) other products transported by Indian Railways in a day;

(b) what percentage thereof is transported (i) on Broad gauge and (ii) on meter gauge;

(c) the average distance covered in the transportation of the above products in a day; and

(d) what are the major routes where there is considerable petroleum traffic?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAY (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) During the period April 1987-January 1988 the daily movement of Petroleum products by rail averaged approximately 62,000 tonnes including (i) petrol 3,400 tonnes; (ii) diesel 26000 tonnes (iii) Kerosene 9,700 tonnes; (iv) crude nil and (v) others 22,900 tonnes.

(b) Broad Gauge 8.6 per cent and metre gauge 14 per cent.

(c) 617 Kilometres.

(d) Major rail routes over which petroleum products move are:

(i) Madras-Bangalore

(ii) Cochin-Coimbatore

(iii) Vishakapatnam-Vijaywada

(iv) Bombay-Nagpur

(v) Baroda-Delhi

(vi) Siliguri-Calcutta

(vii) Kandla-Delhi.

Capacity and cost of BG tanker wagon and open wagon

881. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the usual capacity of a B.G. Tanker Wagon Which is used for transporatation of petroleum products;

(b) what is the capacity of a tanker wagon railway rake (B.G) the number of tanker wagons make one rake on a broad gauge line used for transportation of Petroleam;

(c) what is the dead-weight (tare weight) of a B.G. tanker wagon and a B.G. tanker wagon rake;

(d) what is the normal size and capacity of a open wagon (B.G.) what is the dead-weight of this wagon; and

(e) what is the per ton capital cost of a B.G. tanker wagon and of a box type open wagon (B.G.)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) (a) 20.3 tonnes.

(b) (i) Capacity of tank wagon rake—1015 to 1421 tonnes;

(ii) Number of tank wagons in a rake—50 to 70;

(c) (i) Tare weight of a tank wagon—12.2 tonnes;

(ii) Tare weight of a tank wagon rake—610 to 584 tonnes.